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**Grant Released by UGC During Seventh Five Year Plan**

6198. SHRI PRITHVIRAJ D. CHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESORCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total amount of grant released by University Grants Commission to various Universities under various programmes and schemes during the Seventh Plan, particularly the Universities in Maharashtra;

(b) the details of amount sanctioned and released to each University in Maharashtra during that period;

(c) whether any grant was sanctioned but could not be released; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIMENTATY AFFAIRS MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) to (d). According to information furnished by UGC, the Commission released a total plan grant of Rs. 454.59 crores to various universities in the country during the seventh plan period. The grants sanctioned and released to universities in Maharashtra are as follows:-

*(Rs. in lakhs)*

| *Sl. No.* | *Name of University* | *Amount sanctioned* | *Amount released* |
|---|---|---|---|
| *1* | *2* | *3* | *4* |
| 1. | Amravati University | 75.80 | 75.80 |
| 2. | Bombay University | 602.38 | 601.02 |
| 3. | Marathawada University | 294.57 | 294.38 |
| 4. | Nagpur University | 365.61 | 362.95 |
| 5. | Poona University | 696.18 | 676.76 |
| 6. | S.N.D.T. Women's University | 380.98 | 380.48 |
| 7. | Shivaji University | 228.66 | 228.34 |

In the case of Poona University, the full sanctioned amount could not be released due to non-receipt of the prescribed documents from the University in time.

**Damage to Crops by Wild Pigs**

6199. DR D. VENKATESWARA RAO: Will the MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is a fact that standing crops are being damaged to a great extent by wild pigs in several districts of Andhra Pradesh and also in various other States;

(b) if so, the number of cases reported and the extent of damage caused by the wild pigs, State-wise; and